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Sorlie Bridge LED Lights to be red and green this week

The color changing LED lights on the Sorlie Bridge in Grand Forks are functioning and committee members made up of local representatives from multiple agencies decided to display red and green lights for the holidays. On New Year's Eve the bridge will change to a unique display before midnight and then will change to a solid blue color for a winter theme.

As part of the rehabilitation project on the Sorlie Memorial Bridge this year a new color changing LED light system was installed to illuminate the structural members of the bridge. This is the first bridge on the North Dakota state highway system that has this type of LED lighting technique.

Last week the committee met to test the lights and discuss a use agreement that will dictate how and then the lights may be used. A draft agreement and schedule for using the new LED light system on the Sorlie Bridge has been created. The draft lighting schedule was developed as a year-long test period with a plan to review the schedule annually based on input from the committee and the public.

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